

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

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Greenhouse Cultivation
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to encourage farmers to take up greenhouse cultivation, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government proposes any policy or plan to take greenhouse cultivation up to an extended revolution in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to bring such production activities under a special mechanism, if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has signed any agreement or MoU with other countries especially with Netherland to promote greenhouse cultivation in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a to (c): This Ministry has been implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme-Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) for the holistic development of horticulture in the country. Under the mission use of Greenhouses are promoted to ensure higher productivity per unit area with better quality by producing healthy nurseries, off-season cultivation of high value horticultural crops such as fruits, vegetables and flowers etc.

Under the National Horticulture Mission two types of Polyhouses- (i) Naturally Ventilated Polyhouses and (2) Polyhouses with Fan & Pad system are promoted for an area up to 4000 sqm. per beneficiary for which 50% financial assistance is provided to the beneficiaries. The unit cost (Rs./sqm.) and pattern of assistance for MIDH is given below:

Area (sqm) Greenhouse with Fan and Pad System (Rs./sqm.)* Greenhouse Naturally Ventilated (Rs./sqm.)*

Tubular structure Wooden structure Bamboo structure

Up to 500 1650 1060 540 450

>500 to 1008 1465 935

>1008 to 2080 1420 890

>2080 to 4000 1400 844

* In case of North-Eastern & Hilly areas and Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) areas, an increment of 15% in cost norms over and above general areas is provided.

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Under MIDH, National Horticulture Board assist commercial horticulture development in protected cover for which 50% of cost limited to Rs.56 lakhs per project is provided.

Assistance for protected cultivation (Poly-houses) is also being provided under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA).

(d): No such proposal is under consideration of this Ministry.

(e): An MoU on Agriculture was signed between India and Netherlands in 1990 and as a follow up action Indo-Dutch Joint agriculture Action Plan has been signed for carrying out various activities under horticulture including greenhouse cultivation in the country.
